

THE WEEK AHEAD

TODAY

Bike Forum
The Austin City Council candidates will hold a forum on bicycling at 7:30 p.m. in WEL 1.308.

TUESDAY

Joe Straus
The Texas Politics Speaker Series will host state House Speaker Joe Straus at 3:30 p.m. in GEB 3.312. Straus will discuss problems the 82nd Legislature faces.

Step Up as ONE
The ONE campaign and Tom's Shoes sponsor a march from the UT Tower to the Capitol to raise awareness of poverty and the global economy. The event will begin at 5 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Texas Relays
The 84th annual Clyde Littlefield Texas Relays begin today in the Mike Myers Stadium.


'Rah, rah, ah, ah, ah'
Lady Gaga will perform with Semi Precious Weapons at 8 p.m. at the Frank Erwin Center. Tickets range from \$51-\$177.

THURSDAY

'I'm CEO, bitch'
The UT Film Committee will screen "The Social Network" at 6 p.m. and again at 9 p.m. at the Union Theatre. Admission is free with a UT ID.

FRIDAY

'Phone Home'
The East Side Drive In will show "E.T. The Extra Terrestrial" and "Nude the Moon" at 8 p.m. Tickets range from \$20-\$50.



Quote to note

"You didn't cause [your eating disorder], you can't control it, you can't change it, and you can't cure it. But, you can try to understand it."

—**Stephanie Morris**
President of the Austin Foundation for Eating Disorders

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Mary Kang | Daily Texan Staff

Forty Acres Fest headliner Big Boi raps at the Main Mall in front of the UT Tower on Saturday night. More than 5,000 people came out to the UT campus to take part in hundreds of different activities that Forty Acres Fest had to offer.

Big Boi entertains at Forty Acres Fest

By Ahsika Sanders
Daily Texan Staff

Not everyone at Forty Acres Fest was "So Fresh and So Clean." About 3,000 people crowded into the area below The Tower on Saturday for the 19th annual festival, which featured OutKast rapper Big Boi. UT political science and economics senior Kevin Mokoli, known as DJ Bananaz, warmed up the crowd along with acts from the Houston entertainment company Southern Luxury Entertainment. Public relations senior Sonal Modi, publicity co-chair for the festival's committee, said the concert would help bring people outside UT to campus. "It's just a unity event, to bring all the students

together and the Austin community in general," she said. Nearly 130 student organizations set up booths with food and activities throughout the day. About 5,000 people took part in games, including rock climbing, a mechanical bull and a 130-foot obstacle course that took over the South Mall. Modi said the festival helps student organizations recruit members for next year. "The festival is pivotal because it's created by the students, for the students," she said. "There's no middleman." Some organizations, such as the Texas Iron Spikes, used the festival to raise money for charities. The group raised \$276 for Special Olympics Texas and helped the group continue its positive impact on people with disabilities, said organization service officer Adiel Escobedo. "Whenever we volunteered, we saw the joy in each one of those athlete's faces," he said. "They may be impaired in a way, but for that moment they're just like every single other person." The Coptic Students of Texas booth featured a pin-the-nose-on-the-sphinx game, homemade baklava and photo opportunities with members dressed in ancient Egyptian costumes. The organization raised \$97 in donations for Coptic Orphans, a charity that provides clothes and education to fatherless children and orphans in Egypt, said the group's president Erere Attia.

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SG forms coalition to remedy frat member's alleged bigotry

By Ahsika Sanders
Daily Texan Staff

A UT student's claim of assault during Roundup last weekend sparked the formation of a coalition to address racial discrimination during the annual event. Finance senior Donesha Bell alleges that a Zeta Beta Tau fraternity member cursed, threw food at and spit on her during a Roundup party March 26. ZBT president Nace Allen said his organization has no information about Bell's claims. He said that after talking to people at the party and representatives of the security company working during the event, he has been unable to verify the validity of her claim. "I am saddened by the allegations that are being unfairly made against the men of ZBT," he said. "However, in the spirit of cooperation, we remain committed to meet with and discuss any specific allegations and complaints with the accuser personally and the Black Student Alliance." The Austin Police Department cannot release the police report about the incident because the investigation is ongoing. Government senior Lonnie Williams told Student Government on March 29 that even though the organization does not fund the event, it should take a stance on the issue.

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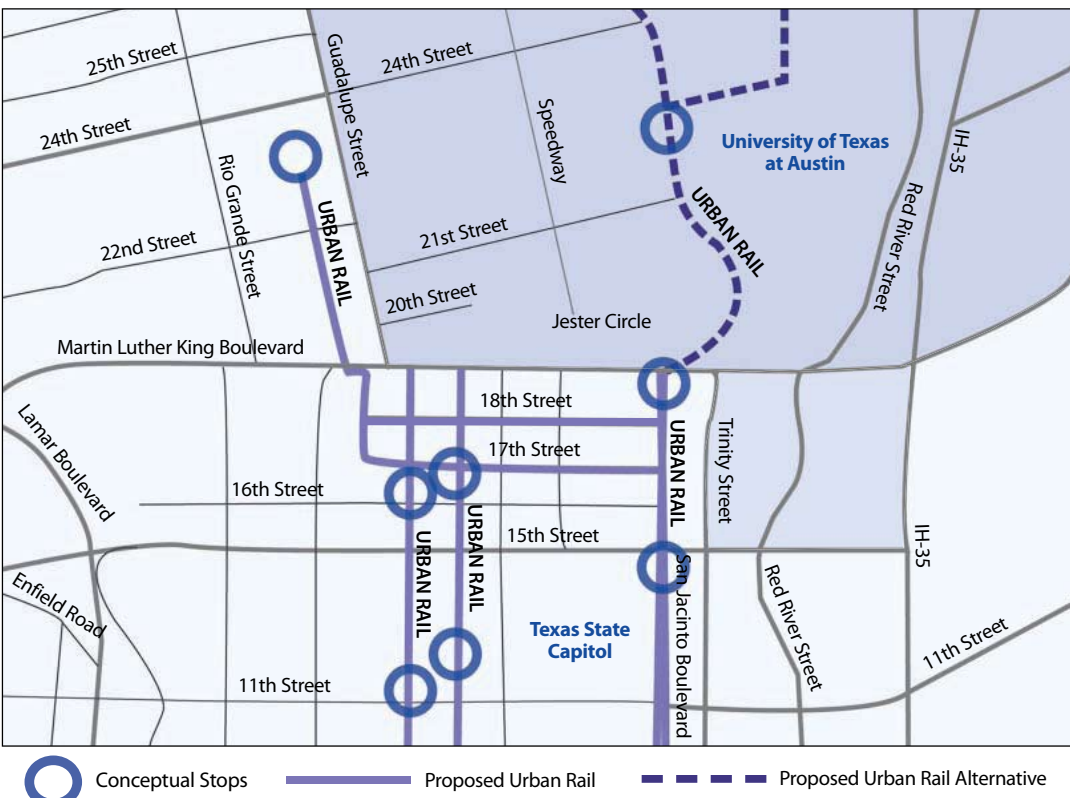
Erika Rich | Daily Texan Staff

Finance senior Donesha Bell has accused a UT fraternity member of allegedly assaulting and emotionally distressing her at a Roundup party March 26.

PROPOSED URBAN RAIL

Source: Austin Strategic Mobility Plan

Illustration by Veronica Rosalez | Daily Texan Staff



City to hold forums for Austin rail line

By Allie Kolečta
Daily Texan Staff

A proposed rail line that would run straight through the heart of UT's campus may become a reality by the end of the decade. The rail line would run from Mueller Development to Austin-Bergstrom International Airport and would hit 16 stops, including the UT

Campus. The rail line would connect downtown Austin with the UT campus and the Capitol and would also make stops in West Campus and the Riverside area. The project could cost \$1.3 billion by the end of the decade and would be funded mostly by federal money, said Karla Villalon, spokeswoman at Parsons Brinckerhoff, an engineering and construction management

firm in Austin. She said city officials estimate building will begin between 2017 and 2020. "The intent of the project is to improve mobility within and to the central Austin area," she said. The city will begin holding public meetings today from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Austin Convention Center and

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Does she still have her damn sunglasses on?

Groups protest budget cutbacks

About 200 people from 12 public interest groups rallied at the Capitol on Friday while members of the Texas House debated the 2012-13 budget bill.

Protesters lit candles and carried coffins into the Capitol lobby to represent the state agencies that will have their funding cut.

Don Morris, president of Austin Community College's chapter of the American Federation of Teachers, said the proposed budget could lead to increased tuition, which would not impact college students equally.

"Its greatest effect will be on those who can least afford it and, ironically, those who need higher education the most," he said.

Cinnamon Henley and Claudia Pepper, administrators at the Austin Odyssey School, said the bill would cut \$450,000 out of the budget and wipe out Odyssey's savings by



Passersby look at mock coffins placed at the foot of the Capitol by protesters illustrating what appropriations will be cut by House Bill 1.

next August.

Henley said they would respond by focusing on what makes Odyssey unique with less resources.

— Allison Harris & Andrew Edmonson

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groups including Texas Impact protesters held a daylong vigil Friday to mourn the "death of state services."

"Teachers across the state, who equipped themselves to serve the children of the state of Texas are being forced out of the position they love and put on the unemployment line," said Louis Malfaro, secretary-treasurer of the Texas American Federation of Teachers. "So, today we mourn the death of Texas education."

Legislators proposed about 73 amendments dealing with education, at least 11 of which attempt to increase financial aid funding.

Lawmakers did not pass any amendments to support TEXAS Grant funding. The original House budget proposes cutting TEXAS

Grants in half — or by nearly 35,900 from 2011 to 2012 — which would eliminate their availability for incoming students. Several lawmakers spoke passionately about restoring those funds.

Rep. Jason Isaac, R-Dripping Springs, proposed an amendment — which failed — that would have transferred \$24 million from the Texas Workforce Commission's Skills Development Fund into TEXAS Grants and Texas Equalization Grants.

"The TEXAS Grants program has been extremely, extremely slashed in this budget," Isaac said. "The cuts to the grants are too much, and this is one small way we can help underprivileged families, hardened by economic burdens we are facing in today's economy. We need kids going to these schools, so we can improve our economies."

Rep. Mike Villarreal, D-San Antonio, echoed Isaac's sentiments by asking members to restore funding to financial aid to help students afford college. His amendments, which were shot down, proposed prioritizing TEXAS Grants if the Legislature

taps into the Rainy Day Fund, a \$9.4 billion emergency fund lawmakers can use during financial difficulties.

"TEXAS Grants is a program that pays dividends," Villarreal said. "This is a program we created some time ago. We told our high school students that if you take rigorous courses and study hard, graduate high school and pursue college, we will be there for you to help afford college."

According to one amendment that did pass, authored by Rep. Wayne Christian, R-Center, if universities, such as UT and Texas A&M, can fund Gender and Sexuality Centers that teach about "alternative sexual practices," they should equally fund "traditional values."

Christian said his amendment would not infringe on a university's right to provide alternative sexual practice education, it just expands on what they are required to offer.

"Currently, UT and other schools have a gender and sexuality center for alternative sexual practices. I'm not treading on their right to do that," he said.

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He said he feels it is "imperative" for the University's recruitment and retention.

Williams suggested SG form a task force to monitor future Roundup events and determine how claims such as Bell's should be handled.

Since William's suggestion during the last regularly scheduled SG meeting, campus leaders, including newly elected University-wide representative Kristin Thompson, created the Roundup Coalition. The group is asking for a formal written apology from the UT Interfraternity Council with a copy sent to the fraternity's national headquarters, a formal written apology from the alleged assaulter and expulsion of the alleged assaulter from his chapter. They also request mandatory cultural sensitivity training for ZBT led by a trainer of their choosing, among other things.

Bell said she and her friends bought tickets to the ZBT fraternity party almost a month in advance to see rapper J. Cole at the organization's LiveStrong benefit concert March 26, she said. She said her and her friends arrived early to get a good spot near the stage, but as soon as the show was about to start, she was approached by a ZBT member who told her to move so he could have her spot. Bell said when she refused, he began insulting her.

"I told him I wasn't going to get off the ledge, and his response was, 'No, I want you down there with the com-moners. I want this spot,'" she said.

When Bell still refused to give up her spot, she said the ZBT member forced his way next to her and nudged and elbowed her in the side to move her down.

"While this was going on, he was yelling and cursing, saying he didn't want us there anyway, and that's when he threw his sandwich and

started spitting," Bell said.

Bell said her legs were covered in barbecue sauce from the sandwich he had thrown after she ignored his cursing. She said when she still refused to respond, he spit at her twice, once in her face.

Bell said the ZBT member left her and came back with a guard from MAS Security Agency to escort her out of the concert. She said she tried to explain to the security guard that she had been assaulted, but she said he told her he didn't care and wanted her to leave.

"He said the guy was a member, and if he wanted me to leave, I had to go," she said.

Bell said she and her friends were pulled from the ledge and escorted to the back gate where the guard forcefully removed them from the yard.

"He picked my friend up and basically threw her out of the gate. Then he grabbed my arm, twisted it and pushed me out," she said. "I felt degraded, especially as a woman, to be spit on and thrown out."

According to the Institutional Rules on Student Services and Activities guide, the organization cannot be disciplined unless an officer was at fault, a member acted in an authoritative position such as a chairperson or organizer, or it was more than one member. Under any other circumstances, the individual is responsible for his or her own actions.

Dean of Students Soncia Reagins-Lilly said the Office of the Dean of Students takes all conduct matters very seriously and is currently gathering more information about the incident.

"Students are using their voices to express the various ways this situation impacts UT and their personal lives," Reagins-Lilly said. "Our office will work with the coalition to continue exploring options."

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"We wanted to show our presence as the Coptic Students of Texas at UT," Attia said. "We're proud of our heritage and our mother country."

Finance junior Karen Grimaldo

said she wanted to see Big Boi.

"It's a really different genre that I'm not really into but I would love to experience," she said. "And it's free, so why not come out?"

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will hold several more before April 9. The meetings will explain pros and cons to the public, so the city can get input on the rail line from those it will affect, Villalon said.

"The environment is not just bugs and bunnies," she said. "It's the human environment and how the rail impacts the public. We're asking them to weigh in because we want to make sure we get their questions answered. We are very interested to know whether they see benefits or impacts."

Mayor Lee Leffingwell proposed the idea for a rail line during his 2009 campaign and has continued pushing the idea of implementing an urban rail line to connect downtown, the Capitol and the University, said Matt Curtis, spokesman for the mayor's office.

"The mayor understands that for this city to grow and for people to be able to get around, Austin is going to have to choose a multimodal transportation system that includes roads, bicycle and pedestrian facilities and public transportation," he said. "We're looking at all aspects of expanding our transportation opportunities. It's the only way we can really be successful."

The city initially raised funds for the rail line through a bond election in 2010 during the midterm elections, and another bond election could bring in more funds in November 2012, Curtis said.

UT currently has 15,000 parking places for 75,000 students, faculty and staff, said Jeri Baker, assistant director of Parking and Transportation Services. The urban rail line proposal will help the University and the city improve the way people move from place to place by providing them with an alternative to a single-occupancy vehicle, she said.

"It will definitely disrupt things for a while; it'll take out some parking," she said. "But I think that if we look for the greater good, we can get through the pain."

Although, in theory, the rail line seems feasible, in reality, the cons would likely outweigh the pros, at least on UT's campus, said radio-television-film freshman Ceci Bergstedt.

"It would cost a ton of money and cause all this ruckus, and for what?" she asked. "I think that the effort that would go into the rail line would be better used somewhere else."

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Libyan rebels flash victory signs as they advance toward the city of Brega, Libya, on Sunday. Libyan rebels want to install a parliamentary democracy in place of longtime ruler Moammar Gadhafi, one of their top leaders said Sunday.

Libyan rebel forces make steady progress

The Associated Press

BENGHAZI, Libya — A top Libyan rebel official says the opposition to longtime leader Moammar Gadhafi seeks to install a parliamentary democracy in the country. Abdel-Hafidh Ghoga, the vice chairman of the National Provisional Council, told The Associated Press on Sunday that he thinks international isolation, airstrikes and better rebel organization will force Gadhafi's ouster in "a matter of days."

The opposition council was

formed after the cities in the east threw off the control of the central government. Rebel forces have seized much of Libya's eastern coast but have been unable to push westward. The rebels are also protected by international airstrikes which have stopped government counterattacks. Libyan rebels skirmished with government forces around the strategic oil town of Brega on Sunday, making incremental advances backed by international air strikes in the seesaw desert battle for the country.

In contrast to the rapid gains and losses of territory that characterized the fighting over the past few weeks, the conflict has stabilized around the oil facilities of Brega, as better trained rebel soldiers join the fight and airstrikes blunt the government advantages in weapons and training. "There is fighting going on inside Brega, Gadhafi's forces are based inside Brega university, and we're shelling them and advancing them bit by bit," said Col. Juma Abdel-Hamid, as Grad rockets fired off toward government positions.

As more veterans of the old army of joined the battle, the rebel forces have shown more skill in battling their government opponents who possess better training and weapons. The rebel truck-mounted rocket launchers would fire their missiles, move and then fire again to avoid government counter-strikes, suggesting better tactics and training then previously. The rebels have also been aided by an international campaign of airstrikes that have knocked out the government's heavy weapons.

Taliban suicide bombings leave 42 dead, injure 100

By Khalid Tanveer
The Associated Press

MULTAN, Pakistan — A pair of Taliban suicide bombers struck one of Pakistan's most important Sufi Muslim shrines on Sunday, killing 42 people and wounding 100 who were celebrating the anniversary of its founder's death with music, meditation and other practices abhorred by Islamist militant groups.

Another bomber was wounded when his explosive vest partially detonated. He was arrested along with a fourth militant who was seized before attacking, police official Ahmad Mubarak said.

The attack on the Sakhi Sarwar shrine ended a months-long respite in a relentless militant campaign against the shrines founded by ancient adherents of Sufism, a mystical branch of Islam that sees dancing, chanting and visiting holy sites as expressions of devotion to God. Taliban spokesman Ahsanullah Ahsan called The

Associated Press to claim responsibility for the assault.

"It was a huge blast. People were running in panic," said Fida Bakhsh, a vendor outside the shrine. "It was horrible. We were running over bodies and blood."

Nineteen men, 14 women and nine children were killed, emergency coordinator Natiq Hayat said. Twenty of the wounded were in critical condition, he said.

Several thousand people were marking the 942nd anniversary of the death of the saint Ahmad Sultan at his shrine in the Dera Ghazi Khan district of Punjab province when the bombers struck crowds waiting outside, government administrator If-tikhar Saho said.

Local and foreign Islamist militants have carried out hundreds of attacks in Pakistan over the last three years, targeting government buildings and security forces, as well as religious minorities and Muslim sects they consider heretical.



A man carries an injured man into a hospital after suicide blasts at a shrine near Dera Ghazi Khan in Pakistan on Sunday. A pair of Taliban suicide bombers struck one of Pakistan's most important Sufi Muslim shrines on Sunday, killing at least 42 people and wounding more than 100.

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Associated Press

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QUOTES TO NOTE

"I'm taking a position, and my position is: This is a false choice. I'm not going to pick one over the other when I know there is a third option."

— Rep. Mike Villarreal, D-San Antonio, responding to the difficult decisions facing lawmakers as they divvy up the state's reduced budget, according to the Austin American-Statesman. Villarreal has stated that he wants the state to explore ways to increase revenue rather than follow through on the current budget cuts.

"I will not be put in the position of pulling from one need to (give to) another."

— Rep. Sylvester Turner, D-Houston, on her decision not to cast a vote on an amendment to H.B. 1, the state budget bill, according to the Statesman.

"I'm disappointed that, in the face of many serious budget decisions and important issues, my Democratic colleagues have decided not to tell the people of Texas where they stand."

— Rep. Myra Crownover, R-Denton, regarding the abstentions by many Democrat legislators, according to the Statesman.

"This is a statement of our values, and that statement is: We don't value education, we don't value opportunity, and we don't value the ill and the elderly"

— Rep. Mark Strama, D-Round Rock, responding to one of the amendments proposed to the current version of the state budget before the House of Representatives, according to the Statesman. This particular amendment removed \$3.5 million from the Commission for the Arts to be distributed to programs benefiting the elderly and disabled.

"I cannot continue my work for the party in this capacity. The mistakes I have made have put my colleagues, my friends and school in harm's way and they do not deserve to be part of such a bitter cycle."

— Excerpt from a statement of resignation by SMU junior and Texas College Republicans chairman Charlie McCaslin, who resigned from his post on Thursday. McCaslin came under fire for an endorsement speech he made on behalf of Alex Schriver, a candidate for national chairman of the College Republicans. McCaslin described Schriver's opponents as "nerds" and "fags."

"There are thousands and thousands of students who, five years down the road, wonder why they majored in what they did and have missed an opportunity. Education needs to think in entrepreneurial ways where students are thinking about what their brand is, what their value is, and universities should be doing the same thing."

— UT communication studies professor Richard Chervitz stressing the need for Texas universities to teach entrepreneurialism.

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No magic bullet for evaluating teachers

By Brandon Curl
Daily Texan Columnist

Last week at a town hall at Bell Multicultural High School in Washington, D.C., President Barack Obama decried the use of standardized testing. "Too often what we have been doing is using these tests to punish students or to, in some cases, punish schools," Obama said. He went on to comment on how standardized testing forces teachers into "teaching to the test."

What's confusing about these remarks is not that they are untrue but that they are at odds with his administration's own policies, which reward federal education funding to states that institute reforms tying teacher evaluations to standardized test scores.

For an example of these efforts, look no further than Thursday's announcement that the Texas Education Agency (TEA) has contracted with UT's Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs to develop a new metric to measure teacher effectiveness. That venture, which falls under the direction of the school's Project on Educator Effectiveness and Quality (PEEQ), will include analysis of "student performance on state standardized exams."

Why is Texas doing this? According to the University's press release, "federal grant requirements for measuring educator effectiveness" necessitate the creation of a student achievement standard, which, in Texas' case will be the PEEQ metric. In other words: money.

In a year in which Texas is facing a much-publicized multibillion dollar budget shortfall, of which education takes a great share,

any available federal funding is vital. Unfortunately, depending whether Obama is right (or wrong depending on your interpretation

“Standardized test scores should be used as a small piece in a larger, more comprehensive method...”

of his views) about standardized testing, this support may come at the expense of public education in Texas.

The real problem with standardized testing is not its existence but in the insistence on the primacy of its usage in evaluating teacher effectiveness. That point is best exemplified in the conversation surrounding the newest method of evaluating teacher effectiveness, value-added modeling.

Value-added modeling began as a way to improve the way we look at standardized test scores. Traditionally, schools have rated the effectiveness of a teacher by comparing the performance of his or her students to some sort of

national average. But with value-added measures, students are compared to themselves. Specifically, statisticians use a student's past test scores to predict future test scores. Then the student's actual test score is compared to that prediction in order to calculate the impact or "value" the teacher has added.

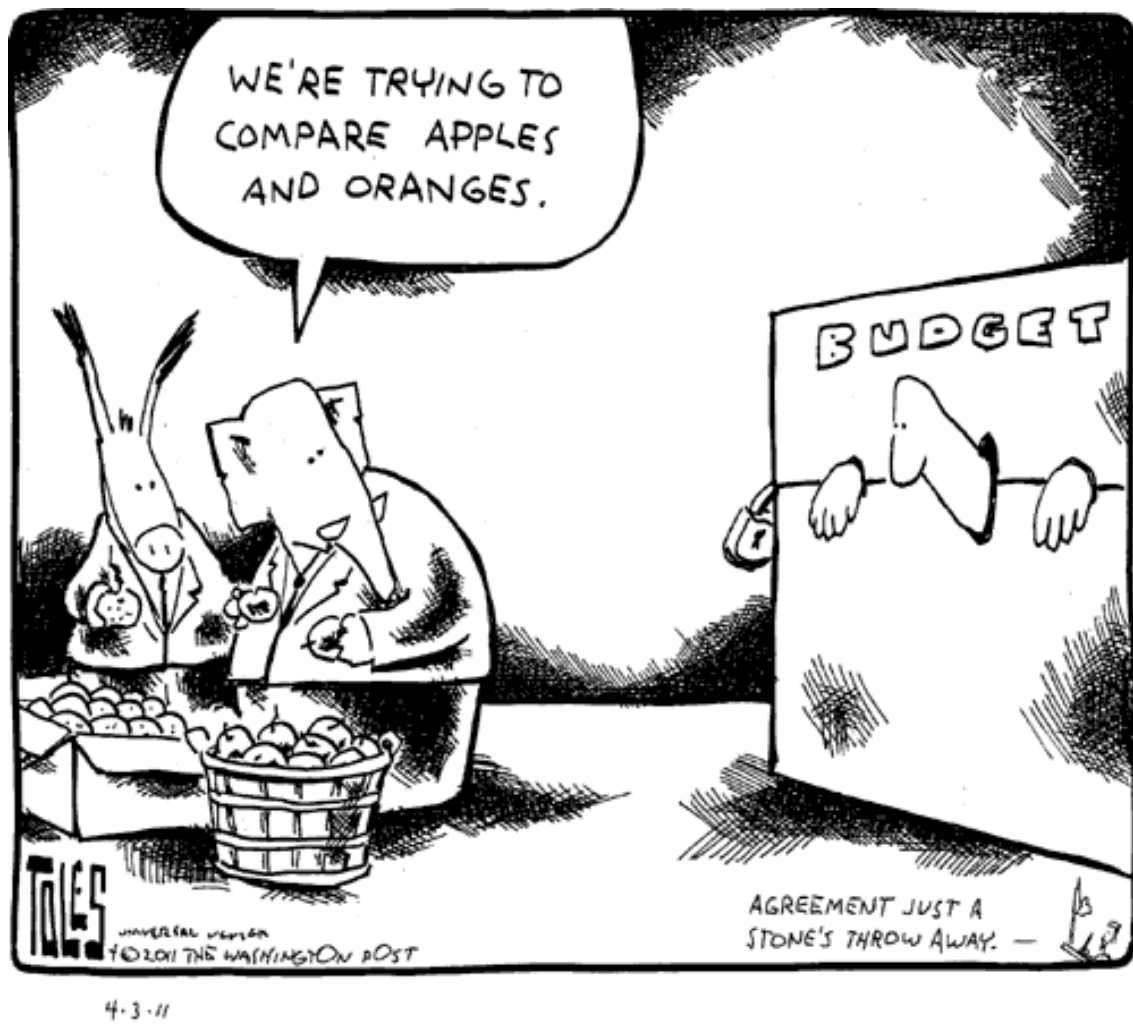
It seems like a good idea, and value-added measures have been championed by the Measures of Effective Teaching (MET) project, a multi-year study funded by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. But the conclusions drawn from the preliminary report released this past December have been widely criticized, most notably by respected Berkeley economist Jesse Rothstein. Among the criticisms to value-added measures are the ideas that the same score gains might not be equivalent for high and low-achieving students and the effects of principal quality are not considered.

Ultimately, standardized test scores should be used as a small piece in a larger, more comprehensive method of evaluating teacher effectiveness that includes performance-based assessments, classroom observations, student surveys and teacher-reflection among other variables. Unfortunately, it is unlikely that we will be able to effectively distill this down to one number as PEEQ has been tasked to do by the TEA.

As much as we may hope for some magic bullet that will efficiently rank our nation's teachers from least to most effective, we will have to go about it the hard way, and that means qualitatively evaluating teacher effectiveness from every angle.

Curl is an advertising graduate student.

GALLERY



THE FIRING LINE

Dear transient

I was deeply offended by Marty McAndrews's reporting of Will Hancock's position in "Drifting on the Drag." I don't believe that the other side of the issue of transience and how it affects the general population was acknowledged at all. I'm open-minded and accepting of other lifestyles, as long as it doesn't infringe on others' right to live as they deem fit.

I feel harassed every day I stroll down the Drag by usually cocky transients who feel that they're entitled to my hard-earned money which goes toward an honest education and is beneficial to society and myself. How do transients earn their own or give back to our honest, hard-working and progressive society?

Oh, that's right, they typically don't.

Dear transient: If you want my money, get off of your bum and do something! Sing, play instruments, dance, engage in a meaningful conversation with me or teach me something new about yourself or the world. Don't you dare feel like you're entitled to my money and possessions at the expense of my sense of well-being, safety and day-to-day happiness. That's blatantly parasitic, especially when I'm retaliated against in offensive and vulgar acts when

I so politely decline because you're deserving of acknowledgment as are the rest of us. We all rationalize the way we live and merely want to be accepted for it, and there is a place in society for everyone. You are human, as am I. Let's work together to make transience a more healthy, beneficial lifestyle for you and for others like me in our world.

— Erica Thorson
Electrical engineering senior

Statistically significant

In his Firing Line that ran in Friday's Texan, Joseph Gauthier reviewed the evidence regarding the relationship between the minimum wage and unemployment and concludes "serious doubts about its quality." As a statistician, I admire his scholarly instincts and couldn't agree more about the need to hold researchers to high evidentiary standards, especially when their conclusions suggest changes in public policy.

It is thus unfortunate that Gauthier's letter exhibits some of the "mathematical and statistical sophistry" he claims to see in the report from the Center for Economic and Policy Research. Gauthier writes, "For example, anywhere from 57 to 85 percent of the results were deemed statistically insignificant.

That is, anywhere from 57 to 85 percent of the results are likely to have occurred by chance." This second sentence reflects a widely held but false interpretation of what it means for a finding to be statistically insignificant. Anybody who fails to see the fallacy should revisit his or her understanding of something called a p-value.

To be sure, the findings in question might be nonsense. Then again, the sample sizes involved might have been too small for the study to have adequate statistical power to detect the hypothesized effects of minimum wage laws on employment. No person, statistician or otherwise, can assign an unambiguous probability measuring which of these two explanations is more likely for the study at hand. I would observe, however, that it is common for studies to yield statistically insignificant but suggestive results and for these results to end up being confirmed by further research and better data. It's worth remembering that it took more than 200 years of trying before scientists could drum up statistically significant evidence against Newton's theory of gravity, and it was false the whole time.

— James Scott
Assistant Professor of Statistics
McCombs School of Business



Corey Leamon | Daily Texan Staff
Two-year-old Katy O'Shea identifies the mannequin named "Eve" for her mother at Art City Austin on Sunday. The artists, Sheryl and Jimmy McDonald of Magnolia were inspired to do a mixed media series while antique shopping.

Festival connects buyers with affordable visual art

By Joe Layton
Daily Texan Staff

Meandering art lovers displaced the vehicular traffic on Cesar Chavez Street this weekend at the Art City Austin festival.

The two-day festival took over the stretch of Cesar Chavez Street from the Seaholm Power Plant to Lavaca Street where art was displayed that ranged from felt chicken footstools to hand-painted cattail reeds.

More than 12,000 participants checked out 180 art vendors from around the world, said Stephen Jeffrey, finance co-chair of Art City Austin. The festival has been going

on in some form for 60 years, and all of the proceeds go directly to the sponsor, Art Alliance Austin, which promotes the visual arts around the city, he said.

Sally Ebright — an artist for the art company The City Girl Farm — along with her mother and sister, turned pieces of fallen farm logs, bronze metal and wool and Alpaca fleece into farm animal footrests.

"We usually get a really strong positive reaction from people who walk by," Ebright said. "The people light up and laugh when they come by."

Monique Capanelli, founder of Articulture Designs, said she thought prices for art were in the

middle to low range.

"Most people are looking for cash-and-carry art, but there are some serious art collectors, too," she said.

Capanelli designs what she describes as "living art," which are medium-sized glass enclosures decorated with sand, cacti and colored glass pieces.

"I'm very purposeful with what I choose to put in there," Capanelli said. "Some kids describe them as a fairyland with a path that might lead somewhere."

Bands and DJs provided musical entertainment on the steps of Austin City Hall throughout the festival.

Mellow Johnny's Bike Shop of-

fered a free bicycle valet on the South First Street bridge. Participants who rode their bikes were granted free entrance as part of the festival's green initiative, which also included a compost and recycling program.

The festival also included a kid's arts-and-crafts section where children could make spin-art CDs and create their own playground using moveable foam building blocks.

"The children come out and dance," said Madi Ward, McCallum High School sophomore and unicycle performer. "I ride around on my unicycle, and people are happy to walk alongside me."

Social media transforming role of press, professors say

By Lauren Giudice
Daily Texan Staff

Social media and journalism are changing at a rapid pace, and understanding these changes will be vital, said a panel of communication professors Friday.

At the 12th-annual International Symposium on Online Journalism, journalists, editors and professors from universities around the world discussed the consequences of these changes during a series of 13 lectures held April 1 and 2. The goal of the symposium was to look critically at issues facing the journalism industry.

The symposium was put on by the Knight Chair in Journalism, the UNESCO Chair in Communication at UT and the Knight Center for Journalism in the Americas at UT.

Dale Blasingame, a graduate student at Texas State University, said newspapers and television stations are making admirable efforts to bring in readers and viewers, but people should not rely on those sources alone.

He said Twitter has changed the process of gatekeeping — determining what stories make it on air or into print.

"Twitter allows early gatekeepers to jump gates and deliver news," Blasingame said.

He referred to the man who tweeted the first picture of the plane that landed in the Hudson River. The man released the picture before the media got there, and it went viral.

"Stations must go to where the consumers are and give them a reason to be consumers," Blasingame said.

Carrie Brown-Smith, an assistant professor of the University of Memphis, and Jeremy Littau, an assistant professor at Lehigh University, conducted a study and found college students mostly use Twitter for connectivity, information, expression and entertainment.

In their study, they determined that college students use Twitter to informally communicate with others, usually with people they already know.

"They see it as a way that they can talk to their friends away from authority figures," Brown-Smith said. "They are sort of in this pseudo-anonymous space."

Littau said young people are receptive to getting news on their Twitter feeds. But college students want to interact and have relationships with the journalists on Twitter, he said.

"News organizations are trying to think of how they can engage younger people," Littau said.

Cory Leahy, assistant director of the McCombs School of Business, said the issues discussed during the panel are relevant to the work she does.

"It's comforting to know that all outlets of all shapes and sizes are trying to figure it out at the same time, too," Leahy said.

She said the journalism industry is changing, but she hopes it will continue to grow.

"There is a demonstrated desire by the wide audience of the world that information is still needed," Leahy said. "The trick is to find the audience and be where they are and to not deliver what they want, but deliver what's useful in a way that they will consume it."

Austinites walk dogs to support service group

Thousands of dogs roamed the streets of Austin on Saturday in support of a local charity. The Mighty Texas Dog Walk and Festival took place for the 13th straight year as dog lovers brought their four-legged friends to Waterloo Park for a three-mile trek.

Organizers hope this year's event will bring the Guinness World Record for "Largest Dog Walk" back to Texas, where it was for two years before being supplanted by England in 2010. The current record is 17,427 dogs. Tags are still being counted from Saturday's walk.

The walk is organized by and in support of Texas Hearing and Service Dogs, an organization that specializes in training dogs to assist Texans with hearing or mobility challenges. Paul Wood and his golden retriever Faith were among the first to leave the starting gates as the event got underway.

"It's just a great Texas thing to do," Wood said, adding, "Well, a great Austin thing to do."

— Lawrence Peart



Bubba, an English bull-dog also known as Maximus, takes a breather during the Mighty Texas Dog Walk and Festival on Saturday morning. Owner Jason Healey brought Bubba to walk in support of the Texas Hearing and Service Dogs organization.

Lawrence Peart
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Austin Edible Book Festival brings out flavor of literature

By Yvonne Marquez
Daily Texan Staff

A cupcake shelf that held tiny multicolored books made of fig-filled cookies won the "Best in Show" category at an edible book festival.

About 50 people browsed through the creative entries at the ninth-annual Austin Edible Book Festival on Friday. The entries must be book-related, and all the materials must be consumable. Contestants interpreted 20 entries ranging from "Where the Wild Things Are" to "The Count of Monte Cristo" through food.

Information school graduate student Eric Cartier said a now defunct preservation studies group began the UT festival to coincide with the international festival.

"It's really an excuse to get book lovers together to show off their wit and revel in food for thought," Cartier said.

Information school graduate student Lorrie Dong submitted two entries to the contest. She called one entry "Cadbury Tales," a play off of Geoffrey Chaucer's "The Canterbury Tales." She had to memorize the prologue as a renaissance literature undergraduate.

Dong used Cadbury egg-shaped chocolates to represent the travelers in the tales. She said the hardest

part was resisting the smell of chocolate on her hands as well as carefully unwrapping them and making sure they didn't melt.

"There's a big metaphor of eating and reading, consuming and digesting literature," Dong said. "It's an apt metaphor. Now we're just making it come to life."

Retired teacher and Round Rock resident Betty Marshall took her two grandchildren, Greg and Tessa Marshall, to the festival because they are avid readers. Her 13-year-old grandson, Greg, said he was also an avid eater.

"Reading opens up all sorts of adventures to our lives," said Betty, who taught remedial reading.

She shares her love of fantasy books with her grandson, whose favorite book is "Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King."

"I like the imaginative point of view of the author," Greg said.

Information graduate student Rebecca Kuipers said the festival encourages literacy and lets people have fun with books. Kuipers' entry, "Book of Meats," which was made of roast beef and mustard, won for "Least Appetizing."

"I think it's very easy to have books be something you have to do that is part of schoolwork and is hard," Kuipers said. "[The festival] makes a connection to a different part, cooking with books."



Mary Kang | Daily Texan Staff
Brad Englert, left, and Liz Aebersold, right, view Bookshelf Cupcake made by Tissany Criswell during the Austin Edible Book Festival held at the UT School of Information on Friday.

SMALL TOWN, BIG CHARACTER



Forty-five miles east of Austin, Smithville residents experience the annual Smithville Jamboree, a five-day celebration of the town complete with a carnival and parade down Main Street.

Tamir Kalifa
Daily Texan Staff

ON THE WEB: Check out a video of the Smithville Jamboree @dailytexanonline.com

Veterans' benefits unclear, report reveals

By Katrina Tollin
Daily Texan Staff

The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs is doing an inconsistent job in outreach for its educational benefits programs, according to a report from the U.S. Government Accountability Office.

The office assesses the effectiveness and efficiency of government programs and reports its findings to Congress. Veterans and servicemembers are aware of the benefits they are entitled to but may have a difficult time knowing which of the programs provided by Veterans Affairs they can qualify for, according to the study.

"[The GI Bill] is a very complex program, and servicemembers

didn't always understand whether it was great for them," said Daniel Bertoni, a director at the U.S. Government Accountability Office and the author of the report.

Once a servicemember opts for the Post-9/11 GI Bill, they are locked into it and become ineligible for other education benefits offered by the association. Students who served since 9/11 are eligible for the bill, which pays for their full tuition and provides a monthly stipend.

"It's a critical position because if you choose this program, it is irrevocable," Bertoni said. "You really have to weigh the various programs and options available to you and have the best information so you can make the best decision, and that wasn't always available to servicemembers."

The bill creates extra work for the staff because of a requirement that the school complete additional calculations on tuition and fees.

The report found an insufficient focus on veterans with disabilities and suggested Veterans Affairs improve communication with school officials, with greater communication about training events, online materials and email updates.

"Staff that are in the admissions programs and the budget offices need to understand how it works and be able to convey that to the potential servicemembers that want to take advantage of the program," Bertoni said.

Thomas Colbert, vice president of UT's Student Veterans Association and a pre-med senior, said his deci-

sion to join the military was significantly influenced by the educational benefits that would follow.

Colbert said he has seen the number of veterans at UT soar since the implementation of the Post-9/11 GI Bill.

"I really think it is because of the massive increase in benefits," Colbert said.

Bridgette Ingram, associate director in the Scholarships & Financial Aid Office at Texas A&M University, said their staff helps students decide what benefit plan is best for them.

"When [the new GI Bill] first came out, there was some vagueness about the changes and how we would implement it," Ingram said. "It's a little more complicated than benefits have been in the past.



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SpringFever

Texas uses Spring Game to take a look at quarterbacks, look at a revamped defense

By Austin Laymance
Daily Texan Staff

With the spring season in the books, Texas fans head into the summer with a bevy of questions, most notably the naming of a starting quarterback.

But it's not just the Longhorn faithful that are unsure who will take that first snap of the 2011 season — the coaches don't know either.

"We really don't think anyone is ready to take over at this point," said head coach Mack Brown.

Garret Gilbert started the Orange-White game Sunday, but turned in a rather pedestrian performance with eight completions for 76 yards and an interception. Bryant Jackson stepped in front of the first pass of the incumbent starter's second drive, a sight all too familiar to the 45,000 in attendance.

Co-offensive coordinator Brian Harsin said all four of the Longhorn quarterbacks mixed in good plays with bad ones but didn't seem too concerned with Gilbert's inaccuracy — he was almost intercepted by freshman cornerback Quandre Diggs in the corner of the endzone on Texas' opening drive. Harsin instead chose to focus on the positive.

"Those are going to happen, we're going to take shots down the field," Harsin said. "I thought



Andrew Torrey | Daily Texan Staff

Junior quarterback Garrett Gilbert drops back and gets ready to deliver a pass in Sunday's annual Spring Game. Gilbert is the projected starting quarterback for next year, but is a part of an open quarterback competition that also involves Case McCoy, Connor Wood and David Ash.

he did a real nice job of coming back and shaking it off."

Gilbert responded by completing his next three passes — including a flea-flicker to tight end Darius Terrell — to drive the team 46-yards down the field for a touchdown on his next series.

With only eight offensive line-men healthy during the spring, it came as little surprise that Texas struggled on offense. But Case McCoy showed improvement and led two scoring drives, highlighted by an 11-yard TD pass to Patrick McNamara against the start-

ing secondary.

On the flip side, defensive end Alex Okafor proved why he belongs on the outside with five sacks. While there was talk of him moving inside to the tackle position, Okafor cemented his place at end and had a field day

against a porous offensive line.

"He's a big imposing figure out there at defensive end," Defensive Coordinator Manny Diaz said. "He has to be that guy for us. For us to be really great on defense he's going

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BASEBALL

Horns lay it on Tigers in 10-1 win for series sweep

Strong outing from Cole Green, alot run support induces victory

By Jon Parrett
Daily Texan Staff

Texas used a five-run first inning and eight innings from Cole Green to beat Missouri 10-1 Sunday and sweep the Tigers on the weekend. The Longhorns (21-7, 7-2 Big 12) grabbed the momentum early with four two-out hits and didn't look back.

"Once one person starts hitting, it's contagious. We all kind of go off of each other," said second baseman Jordan Etier. "You see one guy hit it, and you know you can hit it, too."

Erich Weiss and Lucas Kephart walked each with two outs in the bottom of the first inning and scored on Tant Shepherd and Etier singles, respectively. Then Jacob Felts cleared the bases with a three-run home run that clanged off of the left-field foul pole.

"I've been kind of struggling lately, so it felt good to get a hit out of the way and get it going," Felts said. "I wasn't really watching it, but I looked up right before it hit the foul pole."

Etier got his second RBI in the fifth inning on a ground out that scored Lucas Kephart. Kephart had two runs and two walks in the win but tormented the Tigers all weekend with his hitting. The junior college transfer finished the weekend 4-for-10 with seven RBIs.

"That kid's amazing," Shepherd said. "He deserves every bit that's been happening to him. You can't say enough good things about Lucas."

Green struck out in seven of eight

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Andrew Edmonson | Daily Texan Staff

Lucas Kephart heads to first after making contact with the ball against Missouri on Sunday. Kephart, a junior college transfer, had a big weekend for the Longhorns going 4-for-10 in the series with seven RBI's.

Early offense takes game out of reach quickly for Missouri, spurs big win

By Trey Scott
Daily Texan Staff

The noon starting time was a bit earlier than the Longhorns are used to, but their bats didn't take long to wake up.

In fact, Texas all but ended the game after just the first inning.

With two outs in the first frame, Erich Weiss and Lucas Kephart drew consecutive walks on full counts. Tant Shepherd fell behind 0-2 but battled his way back to 2-2, fouling off six pitches along the way. He then finally saw a pitch he liked and ripped it through the middle of the infield to score Weiss.

Then Jordan Etier followed suit, hitting an RBI-single to left on the second pitch he saw to score Kephart.

"We were working really well with two outs," Etier said. "We were at home, we felt good, and we felt comfortable."

Jacob Felts made the Longhorns' 2-0 lead an even more comfortable 5-0, driving a 1-2 pitch into the left field foul pole, the freshman catcher's



Andrew Edmonson | Daily Texan Staff

Junior Kevin Lusson swings and makes solid contact late in Sunday's 10-1 victory over Big 12 rival Missouri.

first home run of his career.

"To come out here and jump on them early is always a great thing to do because it gets their confidence down," Felts said.

Texas could have called it a day after its five-run first, four more than it'd need the entire game as Missouri managed just one run. But the Longhorns didn't slow down, scoring five more runs to give them 10 total — their fourth-highest run total of

the year.

"We didn't sit on the lead; we didn't let them back in the game," said Texas head coach Augie Garrido. "We continued to grind out runs."

Six of the Longhorns' runs came when there were two outs, and three of their hits came with two strikes in the count.

"We worked on timing a lot this

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SOFTBALL

First Big 12 Road Trip success with pair of wins

By Chris Hummer
Daily Texan Staff

In their first Big 12 road test of the year in Stillwater, Okla., the Longhorns showed the Cowgirls why they are the eighth-ranked team in the country with a pair of convincing wins.

In the first game of the weekend series, the Longhorns once again received an excellent performance in the circle from sophomore Blaire Luna, who held the Cowgirls to six hits, three runs (one earned) and nine strikeouts, in her 18th complete game of the season.

Luna's pitching effort was more than enough to secure a Longhorn victory on the day, as the offense went off for six runs on 12 hits against Okla-

homa State starter Simone Freeman.

Junior Lexy Bennett led the offense on the day, with a 3-for-4 performance that included two RBIs, one run and a home run. Sophomore Torie Schmidt also had an outstanding day at the plate with two hits and two RBI.

The next day, the Longhorns were at it once again against Oklahoma State, and they put together perhaps their most dominating performance of the year with a 10-0 dismantling of the 18th-ranked Cowgirls.

The offense led the way for Texas once again with a quick start in the top of the first, scoring three runs before

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SIDELINE

BASEBALL



BY THE NUMBERS

4

The number of teams left undefeated in baseball after opening weekend (Texas, Baltimore, Philadelphia, Cincinnati).

27.7

Points per game that Kevin Durant scores this season, which leads the NBA.

2

The number of teams left in the NCAA tournament after starting with 68 (Butler and Connecticut).

BASKETBALL SCORES



INSIDE: Read about the championship game **on page 9**

SPORTS BRIEFLY

Mickelson wins Shell Houston Open for his first win in a year

In his first win since the 2010 Masters, Phil Mickelson won the Shell Houston Open with a score of (-20), three shots ahead of Scott Verplank and Chris Kirk. The win comes just one week before the Masters, and Mickelson will look to take the momentum from the victory to Augusta, where he looks to retain his title. The win also allowed Mickelson to pass Tiger Woods in the World Rankings for the first time since 1997, Mickelson moved to third and Woods drops all the way to seventh.

—Chris Hummer

WEEKEND RECAP

► MEN’S TENNIS



Shereen Ayub | Daily Texan Staff

The Texas tennis team took down Rice 6-1 on Sunday. A big part of the Texas victory was the play of its doubles teams who have gotten the Longhorns off to good starts all year.

Tennis team takes care of business versus Rice

By Wes Maulsby
Daily Texan Staff

For the second time this season, Texas was able to handle Rice, this time to the tune of a 6-1 win on Friday. Texas has now beaten the Owls by a combined score of 10-1 when combining Friday’s result with the match in January.

The match began as many have this season — Texas claimed the doubles point. The duo of sophomores Chris Camillone and Daniel Whitehead got a quick 8-3 win.

“Chris Camillone was terrific in doubles, and that was good to see,” said Texas head coach Michael Center.

The Longhorns then clinched the doubles point with a win from their top tandem of senior Ed Corrie and

junior Jean Andersen. Corrie and Andersen’s 8-4 win gave Texas the lead heading into singles play.

Texas’ 1-0 lead quickly grew to 3-0 after two straight-set wins from Whitehead and Andersen.

“We’re playing better tennis,” Center said, “We’re sustaining our level better, and that was evident with the scores.”

All five of Texas’ singles wins came in straight sets. Corrie secured the match with a 6-3 win playing in the No. 2 spot against the Owls. Senior Kellen Damico was playing in the first position on Friday and was able to take Rice’s top singles player. Sophomore Vasko Mladenov won the final point of the match, limiting the Owls to just one.

“We were able to win some straight-set matches. There were

“We’re sustaining our level better, and that was evident with the scores.”

— Michael Center, Head coach

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some really outstanding performances today,” Center said.

► WOMEN’S GOLF

Horns come away with top-5 finish

By Stephanie Yarbrough
Daily Texan Staff

Texas sophomore Madison Pressel finished the PING/ASU Invitational in Tempe, Ariz., tied for fourth place Sunday after starting the day tied for first overall. She slipped from No. 1 after her 5-over performance Sunday. In round one Friday, Pressel putted 3-under. She followed that on day two with a 2-under and, added to Sunday’s 5-over, she ended the tournament even par. She had three birdies Sunday on the fifth, eighth and 13th holes and totaled 15 birdies in all three days.

Junior Nicole Vandermade tied for seventh with a 1-over. She putted a 3-over on Sunday. She had two birdies on the fifth and 15th holes and seven birdies overall in the tournament.

Freshman Rebecca Lee-Bentham tied for

26th overall at 7-over. She ended Sunday with 6-over, bumping her score up. Junior Megan Rosenfeld tied for 31st with 8-over, and sophomore Haley Stephens rounded out the team tied for 57th with 15-over.

The Longhorns finished fourth in the tournament with 16-over. They finished behind first place UCLA, who putted 1-under, second place Southern California at 3-over and just two strokes behind Arizona at 14-over.

Sunday was the worst day of the tournament for the Longhorns. They ended the day without a single player being under-par. Both of the other days in the tournament, the Longhorns had two players under par without anyone getting higher than a 4-over. Still, the Longhorns take a top-five finish into their next tournament, which is the Big 12 Tournament starting April 22.

► ROWING

Texas’ first road test of year goes well in Kansas

By Blake McAdow
Daily Texan Staff

This time of year can be tough for rowers as training peaks and races are in full swing, but in their first race away from the familiar Austin waters, the 16th-ranked Longhorns proved they can take on anybody, anywhere. Texas notched victories in five of the six events against Big 12 conference foe Kansas over the weekend.

“When you’re in someone else’s water, you always want to make sure you take it really seriously,” said Texas head coach Carrie Graves. “There are no givens; the goal is to row absolutely as well and as fast as you can, no matter

who you’re racing or what the conditions.”

Texas did just that. The top two varsity eight boats finished the 2,000-meter race ahead of Kansas by 20 and 16 seconds, respectively. They also recorded victories in the first and second varsity four boats and the top novice eight boat.

“If you can make it through this part of the season, the positive result is you’re going to be able to do that in a race,” Graves said.

After the first couple of months of primarily dual-style racing, the Longhorns move into taking on up to five other boats at once, which changes the whole mind-set of a race.

“That’s really a vision you don’t

have in a dual race,” Graves said. “It’s not about anyone else, except you and your boat. It’s not about their speed; it’s about your speed.”

After a successful outing against 10th-ranked Wisconsin at the Longhorn Invitational in March, the Longhorns moved up to No. 16 in the nation and will next take on nationally ranked UCLA, Michigan State and Clemson at the Virginia Invitational next weekend, which is their last race before the Big 12 Championship.

“Everybody has worked very hard and [is] motivated, and you can tell,” Graves said. “We have a possibility of doing very well, and it’s always easier to coach when your team is motivated.”

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Oklahoma State had a chance to see the plate, putting them in a hole they would never come close to digging out of.

Thanks to freshman starter Rachel Fox who had another stellar performance in her fourth shutout of the season, allowing only three hits and fanning four in her six innings of work.

The team added another run to their total in the third and the fifth but really ended any hopes for the Cowgirls in the sixth when 10 runners saw the

dish, and the team exploded for five runs.

The offense was once again headlined by Bennett who had two hits and four RBI on the day. Freshman Brejae Washington also greatly aided the Longhorn cause with three runs scored, two walks, one hit and an RBI.

This pair of wins over a ranked Big 12 team should leave them brimming with confidence and ready for a tough rivalry game against Texas A&M on Wednesday.

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to have to be great all the time.”

Okafor’s track record is proven, but the spring game offers a chance for young players, such as Diggs, to establish themselves on the team and push for a starting job. The younger brother of former Longhorn Quentin Jammer, Diggs opened eyes Sunday with his vicious hit on fullback Ryan Robertson and his agility in coverage.

“Quandre is a guy that was born to play defensive back,” Diaz said. “He has a little knack for making plays.”

Brown said the coaches will

sit down with players individually today to discuss what they need to improve over the summer before camp begins in August, but stressed that there wouldn’t be a depth chart any time soon.

One thing is for certain however: the quarterbacks will have their work cut out for them before returning to practice.

“They’re going to have to have a great mental summer and they’re going to have to have great physical work,” Brown said. “We will document every pass, every play, every check.”

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innings and didn’t give up an earned run en route to his second win of the season.

“When we get a bunch of run support, I think we’re able to go out there and beat anybody,” Green said. “Give credit to the offense today — they made my job a lot easier.”

Green’s seven strikeouts passes Taylor Jungmann for first on the team with 48. Freshman pitcher Josh Urban pitched the ninth inning and struck out the side.

Texas head coach Augie Garrido said the best thing about the weekend was how his team managed its

competitive attitude. Garrido liked that the Longhorns came from behind on Friday and then turned around and jumped out on Missouri on Saturday and Sunday and did not surrender any leads.

“Many times, you see teams with lesser attitudes win the first two games and kind of say, ‘Well, we’ve got it made now; we won the first two games,’ and just kind of cash it in,” Garrido said. “There were all kinds of temptations to let up and drift off and not stay competitive, but they stayed committed to the team’s goals all weekend.”



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week,” Shepherd said. “We came through when there were two outs or two strikes, and we’ve worked on that.”

The quick start did a world of good for Texas. Batters were more relaxed at the plate with the lead, and hitting, as Etier said it, became “contagious.”

The pitching staff’s job was made easy, as starter Cole Green got to pitch with a whale of an advantage after the first inning.

“When the offense is scoring runs like that, it makes my job a lot easier,” Green said.

The first inning also killed the spirits of the Tigers, who only managed four hits in the game and committed two errors.

“Coming out here and jumping on [Missouri] early lowered their confidence,” Felts said.

A week ago, Texas managed only five runs all weekend against Oklahoma State in a 2-1 series loss. In their 2-1 win over Oral Roberts on Tuesday, the Longhorns scored two runs in the second inning but played the rest of the game on cruise control, getting just one more hit afterwards, for a grand total of three in the game.

So it’s safe to say Sunday’s 10-run, 12-hit performance comes at the perfect time.

“It’s a good sign,” Garrido said. “A good step forward.”

And should Texas fans begin to count on the Longhorns to hit at such a high level?

“Yeah,” said Felts. “I think they can expect more of the same.”

NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP 2nd Shot

By Eddie Pells
The Associated Press

“We’re not done yet! Unfinished business, baby!”

That was the rallying cry from the Butler Bulldogs, who are headed back to the title game, not as lovable underdogs but as a team intent on making up for last year’s heartbreak.

Maybe this time that final, riveting shot will go in.

Maybe this time Butler won’t need it.

“We’re not going to settle on just getting back,” said Zach Hahn, who came up big off the bench in Butler’s 70-62 victory over VCU on Saturday night that gave the Bulldogs a do-over and ended the warm-and-fuzzy story of this year’s NCAA men’s tournament.

“I remember the sour taste it left in my mouth last year, and I just think this group, we’re here now and we have a chance. That’s all you can ask,” he said.

Shelvin Mack scored 24 points, Hahn scored all eight of his points during a 90-second span in the second half that gave Butler control of the game for good, and the Bulldogs shut down hot-shooting VCU with their trademark unforgiving defense. The eighth-seeded Bulldogs (28-9) will face Connecticut on Monday night, the lowest-seeded team to play for the national title since Villanova won it as a No. 8 seed in 1985.

“We’ve just got to be one shot better than last year,” said coach Brad Stevens.

VCU (28-12) sure didn’t look like a team critics dismissed as “unworthy” — and a whole lot worse — after it skidded into the NCAA tournament with five losses in its last eight games. But Butler’s stifling defense was too much for the Rams, only the third

No. 11 seed to reach the Final Four.

“Butler was the aggressor for the majority of the game,” said VCU coach Shaka Smart. “We had our runs.”

But not enough of them.

Jamie Skeen scored 27, and Bradford Burgess had 15, including three 3-pointers before the game was even seven minutes old. But Stevens is known for his tactical acumen, and this game was no different. He tweaked Butler’s defense, and Burgess had just one more three the rest of the night.

VCU had always managed to find a shot when it needed it in its first three games, but Butler simply wouldn’t allow it. VCU was just 8 of 22 from long range, though that was still enough to set the NCAA record for most 3-pointers in a tournament with 61. But Brandon Rozzell, who tied his career high with six treys against Georgetown, was 0 for 3. Slippery point guard Joey Rodriguez didn’t make a shot until 8:30 left in the game, finishing with only three points on 1-of-7 shooting.

Butler also dominated the boards, outrebounding VCU 48-32.

“Some of our shots didn’t fall. Open shots, shots we’d been making,” Rodriguez said. “I think if you go back and look at the tape, you’ll see some of them were in and outs. Almost felt like it wasn’t supposed to happen or something.”

The defense — and the big night by Mack — made up for a lackluster showing by leading scorer and rebounder Matt Howard. The senior had 17 points but shot just 3-of-10 and picked up his fourth foul with 9:22 left.

“It’s not one guy making plays,” said Hahn, whose total Saturday was one point less than he’d had in Butler’s previous four tournament games combined. “It’s literally a collective ef-

fort; it’s all 14 guys.”

The Bulldogs came within a bounce of winning it all last year. But Gordon Hayward’s last-ditch, half-court heave caromed off the rim, and Butler had to watch Duke celebrate the title with a 61-59 win.

“Last year, we didn’t get it done, so that’s in the back of my mind,” Mack said.

That the Bulldogs are playing for the title again is maybe even more impressive than the first trip, having lost Hayward, their leading scorer and rebounder, to the NBA lottery. Butler also lost two other players who made significant contributions, Willie Veasley and Avery Jukes.

But it took Butler a while to get to this point. When the Bulldogs skidded through four losses in five games, including three straight, midway through the Horizon League season, many wondered if they’d even make the tournament, forget about the Final Four.

But they’ve reeled off 14 straight wins now and are playing with the cool determination of guys that don’t want to be “first losers,” as Mack called them earlier this week, ever again.

About all they need to do now is practice those half-court shots — Hahn missed one at the halftime buzzer that looked eerily like Hayward’s last-ditch effort last year.

Every other part of their game, the Bulldogs are set.

After falling behind 34-28 at the half, the first time in the NCAA tournament they trailed at halftime, VCU reeled off five quick points to take a 35-34 lead. Then it was time for a little game of “Can you top this?” starring Hahn.

Skeen made a 3, and Hahn answered back with one that didn’t even rustle the strings of the net. Skeen converted a three-point play,



Butler’s Shelvin Mack celebrates after a victory over Virginia Commonwealth University on April 2nd, sending them to the championship game.

Charlie Neibergall
Associated Press

and Hahn made another 3. Rozzell showed he can score from inside, too, with a layup, only to have Hahn —

who else? — make a reverse that put Butler in front 44-43 with 12:20 left.

Butler clamped down on the Rams, not allowing another field goal for more than three minutes. Meanwhile Mack, who earned most outstanding player honors in the Southeast Regional, showed off his dazzling skills yet again. He made back-to-back 3-pointers and then a layup to give Butler a 52-45 lead with 9:41 to play, and the game was all but over.

Butler’s run last year inspired midmajors everywhere, including VCU. The Rams had won a grand total of five games in the NCAA tournament

before this year, never more than one at a time.

But led by Smart, their cool and charismatic 33-year-old coach who is sure to be seen on the big stage again, they showed the little guys can play with anybody, anytime.

After VCU missed its first five shots of the game, Burgess drilled a 3 to spark an 11-0 run that gave the Rams an 11-5 lead with 15:38 left in the first half. Another 3 by Burgess about 2.5 minutes later put the Rams up 15-7, and Stevens had had enough.

Burgess didn’t score again the rest of the half and had only one more 3 the rest of the night.

“Of course, it’s not a once in a lifetime run. We’re going to try to do this every year,” said Smart, in his second

year at VCU. “It’s not easy, there’s no question about it ... If we’re capable of coming together as a group and playing aggressive, confident, loose basketball, and we have the right guys out there, it’s certainly possible.”

Just look at Butler. Butler was an adorable story last year, a 4,200-student school playing for the national title just six miles from campus. That the Bulldogs play in the same arena where “Hoosiers” was filmed only added to the sweetness.

Although Butler has shown it has more substance than a movie sequel, consider this: that 1954 Milan team that was the basis for Hoosiers? It didn’t win the title on its first trip to the Indiana state finals.

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happy for you. By any chance would you ever sample their voices for a song?

NZ: [laughs] I certainly would, though I haven't yet. I do have a lot of recordings of them, though.

DT: I have sort of a strange observation I made about The Books. I feel like since you and Paul are really great at recycling sounds to create new music, you two might also be really good at being eco-conscious and thrifty. I get the vibe that you lead a really minimal lifestyle.

NZ: You're right. Waste not, want not. I think we're both musicians, so we don't have a lot of money. We have enough to feed our families and that's enough for us. Part of what we do is find this material on cassettes and old vinyl and use it; it'll end up in a landfill unless we do something with it. We're not sampling from the mainstream; VHS tapes are going to be gone off the face of the earth soon, so it's kind of a nostalgic thing to go back and put our own spin on it and give it back to people. I think, also, that it definitely serves into our lives the way you mentioned. The house that my wife and I built is made mostly of salvaged materials and we got most of the windows [for] our house from people who try to build McMansions and throw excess material away.

DT: That sounds amazing, I'd really like to see that.

NZ: I posted a lot of picture; check it out on my blog. Oh, and also, we live in a rural area, so we grow a lot of our own vegetables, too.

DT: What was it like translating the recorded music to the live stage?

NZ: We built our music to be performed live, in a way, so we knew going in how it was going to be. Having Gene on stage with us has also really helped. For this tour, we have a lot of music that we feel goes really well with summer camp, summer yearbook sort of videos, do you know what I'm talking about? Kids catching frogs and getting very muddy and burning marshmallows — the kind of stuff you find in every camp video. The new videos are much more integrated with the music than before.



The Books is cellist Paul de Jong (left) and guitarist-vocalist Nick Zammuto (right). The duo formed in New York City in 1999 and makes music collages formed with hundreds of samples ranging from old instruction videotapes to cassettes found in thrift store.

DT: That sound amazing, I can't wait to see that. I have a few quick questions to ask before we finish up. What was the first album you purchased with your own money?

NZ: [laughs] Oh, I'm sure an embarrassing question for everybody. I think it was Def Leppard, to be honest. I remember fourth graders sing-

and it was pretty amazing to tell the truth.

DT: What's your favorite website or blog?

NZ: I check the news everyday on The New York Times or NPR, but I don't really spend too much time on the Internet. YouTube is a great place

WHAT: The Books

WHERE: Central Presbyterian Church

WHEN: Friday, 8 p.m.

TICKETS: \$15 advance

but for the most part it's the worst photography ever. Every once in a while, there's an amazing collection of images. I just found an incredible amount of images when I searched for back pain. [laughs] Just lots of white people dancing badly, it looks like.

DT: Last question: How would you describe your perfect sandwich?

NZ: In the summer time, when the tomatoes start to ripen, mmm. Those are so unbelievable. Take those with some fresh onions and shallots, chop those up really fine, with a little mayo and avocado on my wife's sourdough bread.

“Part of what we do is find this material on cassettes and old vinyl and use it; it'll end up in a landfill unless we do something with it.”
— Nick Zammuto, guitarist-vocalist

ing “Pour Some Sugar on Me” on the playground. Actually, I learned a lot from [Def Leppard]; that was the first record I listened to on headphones

to watch live performances, and that's always inspirational. I just got a subscription to Shutterstock, it's the largest collection of royalty-free pictures,

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mad at her and she lost another five pounds, the person would forgive her.

The times Stephanie did eat, she ate anything she could get her hands on, from cereal to fast food to cake, in excessive amounts. After her binge, she would purge the food she had eaten by vomiting or taking laxatives. The eating disorder took its toll on her and forced her to quit dancing because she was physically compromised and weak. She stopped weighing herself after she lost 20 pounds.

People who suffer from eating disorders never give away how much they weigh or how much weight they've lost because it's a trigger, Stephanie said, not only to themselves but other victims of the disorder who often compare pounds or dress sizes. To this day, Stephanie still can't remember how much she weighed before and during her disorder.

“I really honestly stopped caring about the weight,” Stephanie said. “It was a very dead, emotionally plateaued state where nothing mattered anymore, not even the anorexia that had kept me happy for so long could make me happy.”

Stephanie's mother, Diane Morris, did not recognize Stephanie's behaviors as disordered for a long time.

“She hid it,” Diane said. “At the time, she acted like a typical teenager. Personally, I excused it as ‘she's growing up.’”

Diane did, however, notice Stephanie's extreme weight loss and mood swings. She noted Stephanie seemed angry and spent large amounts of time in her room alone. Diane also noticed Stephanie did not have many friends and lashed out at much of her family. She eventually took Stephanie to see a doctor despite her furious objections.

Local Austin doctor Edward Tyson, one of the only eating disorder specialists in Austin, diagnosed Stephanie with anorexia in 2008 at age 18, nine years after the start of her disorder. He said physicians' lack of education in the eating disorder field

is a big problem because they often confuse the symptoms with other ailments or don't recognize them at all.

“There's very little education in medical school about eating disorders,” Tyson said.

After her diagnosis, Stephanie took medical leave from school to go into at Center for Hope in Reno, Nev., where she stayed for six months to get her eating habits back to normal. She had to learn to eat healthily again. Some of her therapy included individual and group therapy, food-exposure therapy and pre-food and post-meal groups. Stephanie still struggled with the disorder after her release and faced one relapse, going back to her bingeing and purging cycles.

Now, she found a new outlet for her internal conflicts through advocacy work and helping other people suffering from eat-

ing disorders. Stephanie is president of the Austin Foundation for Eating Disorders, a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing resources to victims of eating disorders and promoting awareness in Austin. In addition to her Austin work, Stephanie works as a national lobbyist for the Eating Disorder Coalition and a Texas representative for the National Association for Eating Disorders.

She said through her work, she hopes to extinguish the stereotype that only certain people can get eating disorders.

“You didn't cause it, you can't control it, you can't change it, and you can't cure it,” Stephanie said. “But, you can try to understand it.”

Stephanie celebrated her third-year anniversary of her recovery on Feb. 14.

“It snuck up on me, but I never thought I would recover from it once I was in it,” she said. “I thought it was going to be a way of life.”

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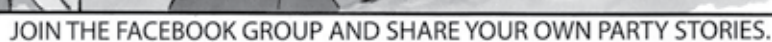
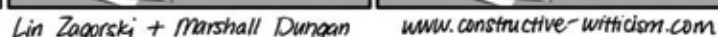
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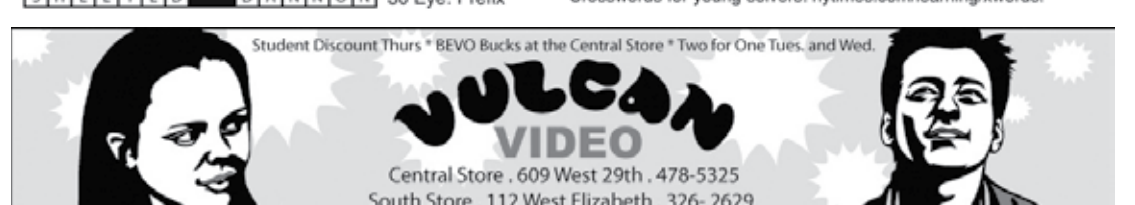
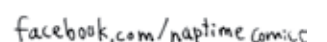
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Yesterday's solution





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Stephanie Morris suffered from an eating disorder for nine years until she was diagnosed with anorexia in 2008. Morris is now the president of the Austin Foundation of Eating Disorders and is a state advocate for eating disorder reform.

Student shares her struggle with anorexia

Editor's Note: This is the first in a three-part series about people who have been affected by an eating disorder. Because of the mental state of the subject during her disorder, some dates and concrete numbers are not clear.

By Jody Marie Serrano
Daily Texan Staff

At first glance, sociology sophomore Stephanie Morris doesn't appear to be conscious about her appearance. A stranger would never be able to tell that only three years ago, Stephanie didn't see a pleasing figure when she looked in the mirror. Instead, Stephanie saw

someone who wasn't good enough for her family, her friends and even herself.

She was 9 years old on the school dance team when she first noticed that the girls around her were skinnier than she was. From that childhood moment on the dance floor until her senior year in high school, Stephanie battled constantly with pressure about her body image, starving herself for long periods of time and bingeing and purging up to 15 times a day beginning in middle school.

Stephanie suffers from an eating disorder called anorexia nervosa with bulimic tendencies and has been in recovery for three years. People with anorexia nervo-

sa have a fear of weight gain and can resort to extreme methods to lose weight, such as excessive exercising or dieting, according to the National Institutes of Health.

Currently, eating disorders affect more than 11 million people in the U.S., according to the National Eating Disorders Association. Disorders range from anorexia nervosa, bulimia nervosa, binge eating disorder and eating disorders not otherwise specified in which the victim displays symptoms of more than one of these conditions.

While eating disorders often manifest themselves in a physical form such as extreme weight loss or weight gain, Stephanie said

food can be minimal to the disorders at its core. People with eating disorders often suffer from other mental problems, such as depression or anxiety disorders, according to National Institute of Mental Health.

"Food is just the physical outlet of a lot of core emotional grievances and problems," Stephanie said. "When you look at it, the behaviors are really a reflection of what's actually going on inside."

Stephanie suffered from depression because she felt she wasn't liked by her peers. In her mind, if she lost five pounds, people would like her better. Or if someone was

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Family directs band's approach to music, life

MUSIC MONDAY
By Francisco Marin

There was a five-year period between album releases for New York-based duo The Books, a time which went by mostly unnoticed for fans — only because cellist Paul de Jong and guitarist-vocalist Nick Zammuto were amusing fans in other ways.

The Books released a mini-CD, commissioned by the French Ministry of Culture, called *Music For a French Elevator*, that both co-founded and delighted audiences worldwide. De Jong and Zammuto also toured heavily, released a DVD of 13 music videos and previously unreleased tracks and even scored a documentary about Biosphere 2, a 3.14-acre biosphere in Arizona.

So it wasn't like The Books ever really left.

And now that there's been time to digest their most recent album, *The Way Out*, The Books are out on the road again and will be visiting Austin Friday.

The Daily Texan spoke with Zammuto on the phone about The Books' thrifty lifestyle, starting a new family and living vicariously through children.

The Daily Texan: I first saw you play in 2007 at Antone's, and I remember the video samples playing behind you were really amazing; are those video compilations still a part of your live show?

Nick Zammuto: It is — that's always been the frontman in our

band in a lot of ways. We love to sample a lot from old VHS tapes, and we have a new round of videos for this show. We also have another person playing with us on stage, so now there's three of us playing.

DT: That's great, can you tell me a little more about him?

NZ: His name is Gene Back, and he plays keyboards, violin, anything with strings — actually, anything you put in front of him, he can play. [laughs]

DT: There was a five-year period between your last album *Lost & Safe* and your most recent album *The Way Out* — why did it take so long to release another album and what were some of the changes that occurred during that time?

NZ: We both started families. I have two sons, I've been making my home and I did a bunch of things during that time, including music, and trying to build

the house I live in now.

DT: You mentioned your two sons, and I'm curious whether having them in your life has had any effect on the way you compose music?

NZ: They're just so ... I don't even know. I get to vicariously re-experience childhood through them, and they have such spirit. They're so curious and their energy is infectious and can be really exhausting, as well. [laughs] I can't remember what it's like to not be a father anymore.

DT: That's so great, man; I'm

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UT artists exhibit work at campus gallery

By Clayton Wickham
Daily Texan Staff

The graduate and undergraduate Student Art and Design Exhibitions are showing concurrently for the first time at the Visual Arts Center.

The exhibitions will be on display until May 14 and will showcase work by 76 Master of Fine Arts and senior undergraduate students in all five gallery spaces at the Visual Arts Center.

Previously, student exhibitions were shown separately off campus for two weeks at a time at the Creative Research Laboratory in East Austin. You You Xia, a spokeswoman for the Visual Arts Center, said the new location has made student work more accessible to the UT community. More than 1,000 people attended the opening reception for student exhibitions Friday night, Xia said.

Fine arts graduate student Scott Eastwood's room-sized installation "Basement House" is prominently featured at the entrance to the exhibition space. In the installation, Eastwood attempts to recreate the psychological space of a basement, incorporating the idea of a basement as a place where kids experiment and adults discard the refuse of their above-ground lives. Cheap linoleum siding hangs off the walls

while charred wood, spilled paint cans, a stray lamp shade and bulky TVs clutter the room. Along with visually representing a basement, the space captures that memorable basement smell of paint, cheap furniture and old junk.

Four portraits painted by fine arts graduate student Felice House are displayed on the wall across from Eastwood's installation. Three are renderings of female Master of Fine Arts female students, and the third is a self-portrait.

"I am interested in painting women because I feel there is a lack of imagery of women I can relate to personally," House said.

House likes to experiment with different fabric backdrops for her portraits, and in one work, she paints a Korean-American graduate student against pink camo backdrop. The student's blank, indiscernible expression contrasts with the fabric, creating a bizarre effect. House said she painted the subject's face low on the canvas in order to accentuate the strangeness of her surreal setting.

On the second floor, studio art senior Andrea Hyland's installation "House of Resolutions" is a sort of shack constructed from peeling window frames and recycled glass and hung with New Year's resolutions that Hyland collected. Shards

WHAT: Student Art and Design Exhibitions

WHERE: Visual Arts Center

WHEN: Now until May 14

TICKETS: Free

of sea glass on the floor represent how our resolutions often end up broken.

On New Year's Eve 2009, Hyland set up the structure on Second Street and gave passersby pieces of paper to record their resolutions. After collecting hundreds of resolutions, Hyland prepared each with beeswax so they would not rip, reading through each of them.

She is still working on a three-part photographic piece that will capture the bittersweet nature of resolution-making. The work will include photos of the house downtown at First Night, on display in the Visual Arts Center and in a rural landscape at sunset. Hyland said the photos of the rundown shack in a rural setting will represent the desolation in which forgotten or discarded resolutions often end up.

"We say these things that we're going to do to fix everything, but they end up as abandoned thoughts only to be revisited later," Hyland said.



Mary Kang | Daily Texan Staff

Michelle Trudo and Nancy Friedel chat at the Visual Arts Center during the exhibition *States of Matter* on Friday evening. The exhibition was the UT senior art show and will be at the VAC until May 14 for people to view.

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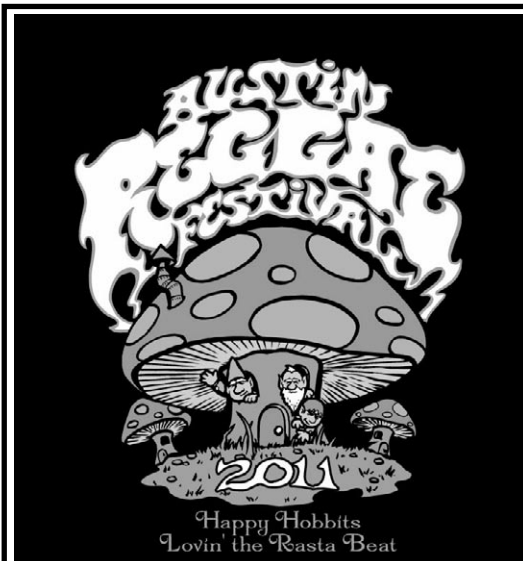
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